## NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

TO:

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West Stanislaus Irrigation District Post Office Box 37- 116 E Street Westley, California, 95387

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SUBJECT: Notice of Determination Filing (Section 21108 Or 21152 of the Public Resources Code)

State Clearinghouse Number (if submitted to State Clearinghouse): 2010092027

Project Title: WEST STANISLAUS IRRIGATION DISTRICT DELTA MENDOTA CANAL INTERTIE PROJECT

Project Location: Stanislaus County

Project Description: This is to advise that the West Stanislaus irrigation District Board of Directors, as Lead Agency, has approved the above described project on October 12, 2010, and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project:

- 1. The project will not have a significant effect on the environment.
- 2. A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
- 3. Mitigation measures were not made a condition of the approval of the project.
- 4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan was not adopted for this project.
- 5. A statement of Overriding Considerations was not adopted for this project.
- 6. Findings were not made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the final Negative Declaration, with comments and responses and record of project approval, or the Negative Declaration, is available to the General Public at the offices of the West Stanislaus Irrigation District set forth above.

DATE: October 12, 2010

Robert Pierce, General Manager Secretary/Board of Directors West Stanislaus Irrigation District

## WEST STANISLAUS IRRIGATION DISTRICT PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

The West Stanislaus Irrigation District (WSID) prepares, makes, declares and publishes this proposed Negative Declaration for the WEST STANISLAUS IRRIGATION DISTRICT DELTA MENDOTA CANAL INTERTIE PROJECT.

Project Description: The Project will construct an intertie between the end of reach 4 of the WSID Main Canal, that portion of the Main Canal westerly of existing Pump Station 4, and easterly of existing Pump Station 5, and the Delta-Mendota Canal (DMC) at Mile Post 31.31L. The Project will consist of a new pump station, fitted with multiple pumps, valving and manifolding, and approximately 5300 feet of 96 inch pipeline. The pump station will be designed to deliver approximately 250 cubic feet per second. The proposed conveyance pipeline will connect the proposed pump station to the existing box culverts for the DMC turnout at Mile Post 31.31.L.

**Project Location:** The Project is located within the WSID in western Stanislaus County, California, approximately two mile-s north of the community of Wesley. The majority of the project will be located within existing WSID right-of-way or easements. Additional easements will be required to accommodate the Project west of the Main Canal and provide sufficient contractor work area during construction of the Project.

**Determination:** WSID has reviewed the proposed Project and has determined that the Project, as identified in the attached Initial Study, will not have a significant effect on the environment. An Environmental Impact Report is not required pursuant to the Environmental Quality Act of 1970 (Division 13 of the Public Resources code of the State of California).

Public Review: This Initial Study/Negative Declaration has been prepared in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and contains an environmental review of the potential impacts of the proposed Project. This Initial Study/Negative Declaration is being circulated for 30 days from September 8, 2010 through October 8, 2010. Comments on the Initial Study/Negative Declaration can be sent by 5:00 p.m. October 8, 2010 to:

West Stanislaus Irrigation District
Att: Robert Pierce
Post Office Box 37
116 E Street
Westley, California 95387

Comments will be reviewed by WSID, and the Initial Study/Negative Declaration will be revised, as appropriate, prior to adoption of the proposed Negative Declaration by WSID, which is scheduled for October 12, 2010.

This environmental review process and Negative Declaration filing is pursuant to Title 14, Division 6, Chapter 3, Article 6, Section 15070 of the California Administrative Code.

A copy of this document may be reviewed/obtained at the district, at the address set forth above.

Secretary

## Resolution No. 2010-10-01

## RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE NEGATIVE DECLARATION OF THE PROPOSED WEST STANISLAUS IRRIGATION DISTRICT DELTA MENDOTA CANAL INTERTIE PROJECT

**WHEREAS**, the West Stanislaus Irrigation District ("District") is a public agency formed pursuant to Division 11 of the California Water Code (Section 20500 et seq.); and

**WHEREAS**, the District desires to approve the negative declaration for the West Stanislaus Irrigation District Delta Mendota Canal Intertie Project; and

**WHEREAS**, the District has prepared a Public Notice of Initial Study and Proposed Negative Declaration; and

**WHEREAS**, the District has duly posted this notice in the prescribed manner and filed this notice with the Stanislaus County Clerk and the San Joaquin County Clerk and the State Clearinghouse.

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it resolved by the Board of Directors of the West Stanislaus District to adopt this Negative Declaration.

ADOPTED THIS 12<sup>th</sup> DAY OF OCTOBER 2010, AT A MEETING OF THE WEST STANISLAUS IRRIGATION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: Directors Yamamoto, Petz and Bays

**NOES**: None

**ABSENT:** Directors Goubert and DelDon

Kenneth Bays – President

**Board of Directors** 

ATTEST:

Robert Pierce – Secretary

Board of Directors